

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/687,414

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed 2/9/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-7,9-13 and 15-18.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 October 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 10/12/00
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

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**ANTONY NGUYEN-BA
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EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. This action is responsive to the amendment filed February 9, 2005.

Response to Amendments

2. Per Applicants' request, claims 1, 3-5, 7, 9-11, 13 and 15-17 have been amended. Claims 1, 3-7, 9-13 and 15-18 remain pending.
3. The rejections of claims 13 and 15-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and 101 are withdrawn in view of Applicants' amendments to these claims to clearly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter and to direct the subject matter to a single statutory class of invention.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments, see Remarks/Arguments, pp. 9-12, filed February 9, 2005, with respect to claims 1, 3-7, 9-13 and 15-18 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,205,476 to Hayes in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,894,515 to Hsu has been withdrawn.

Examiner's Statement of Reason for Allowance

5. Claims 1, 3-7, 9-13 and 15-18 are allowed.
6. The following is an examiner's statement of reason(s) for allowance:

The examiner agrees with Applicants that the prior art of record, taken individually or in combination, fail to teach or suggest the following steps when they are considered in combination with the remaining steps recited in amended independent claims 1, 7 and 13:

encrypting and storing, by the remote code, the user configuration in a manifest file;

performing a first authentication, by the remote code, of the particular user in response to the particular user requesting the application program;

performing, by the local code, a local logon to perform a second authentication of the particular user;

decrypting, by the local code, the manifest file to produce a decrypted user configuration in response to the second authentication; and

responsive to the second authentication, downloading, by the local code, data from the remote data processing system to the local data processing system according to the decrypted user configuration.

As correctly noted by Applicants, Hayes teaches instead a method for allowing users to roam and log in from any computer in a system and have it configured automatically at runtime according to preferences stored for the user at the server, and Hsu teaches instead general encryption.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Hoang-Vu A. Nguyen-Ba whose telephone number is (571) 272-3701. The Examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday, 7:15 – 17:45.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's Supervisor, Tuan Dam can be reached at (571) 272-3695.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the TC 2100 Group receptionist: 571-272-2100.

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